ALLOCATIONS OF SPENDING AUTHORITY OF HOUSE COMMITTEES1: COMMITTEES OTHER THAN APPROPRIATIONS—Continued [By fiscal year in millions of dollars]

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Total	
						2003-2007	2003–2012
OT	5,763	5,613	5,281	5,148	5,180	26,985	n.a.
BA OT Discretionary Action:	2,537	2,430	2,371	2,394	2,392	12,124	n.a.
	2,471	2,313	2,052	2,297	2,154	11,287	n.a.
BA	0	113 113	498 498	89 89	0	700 700	n.a. n.a.
Total: BA	2,537	2,543	2,869	2,483	2,392	12,824	n.a.
	2,471	2,426	2,550	2,386	2,154	11,987	n.a.
Science Committee—Current Law Base: BA	143	20	17	17	18	215	n.a
	147	102	56	29	24	358	n.a
BA OT Transportation and Infrastructure Committee:	-238	-88	-32^{-1}	-30^{1}	-28^{-1}	-416	n.a. n.a.
Current Law Base: BA 01	54,029	51,640	50,234	50,657	50,932	257,492	n.a.
	14,910	12,014	10,429	10,651	10,774	58,778	n.a.
Discretionary Action: BA OT	0	4,369 0	4,369 0	4,369 0	4,369 0	17,476 0	n.a. n.a.
Total: BA	54,029	56,009	54,603	55,026	55,301	274,968	n.a.
	14,910	12,014	10,429	10,651	10,774	58,778	n.a.
Veterans' Affairs Committee—Current Law Base: BA	1,629	2,055	2,543	3,082	3,633	12,942	n.a.
	1,570	1,999	2,590	3,065	3,431	12,655	n.a.
Current Law Base: BA	643,804	661,849	684,591	701,838	727,703	3,419,785	n.a.
	645,017	661,964	684,461	701,118	727,005	3,419,565	n.a.
Discretionary Action: BA OT	2,203	858	1,280	1,639	1,875	7,855	n.a.
	174	853	1,231	1,660	1,943	5,861	n.a.
Total: BA	646,007	662,707	685,871	703,477	729,578	3,427,640	n.a.
	645,191	662,817	685,692	702,778	728,948	3,425,426	n.a.
Current Law Base, Medicare: BA 0T	174,977	180,768	193,068	197,062	211,086	n.a.	2,224,058
	174,843	181,045	192,994	196,851	211,379	n.a.	2,223,844
Discretionary Action: BA OT	4,650	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	347,270
	4,575	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	347,270
Total: BA. OT	174,977	180,768	193,068	197,062	211,086	n.a.	2,224,058
	174,843	181,045	192,994	196,851	211,379	n.a.	2,223,844
	51,414	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	764.402	n.a.

 $^{^1\}mathrm{---}$ Reflecting allocation adjustments through the end of the 107th Congress. n.a. = not applicable.

STATEMENT OF FY 2004 ADVANCE APPROPRIA-TIONS UNDER SECTION 301 OF H. CON. RES. 353 OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH CON-GRESS

Interior Subcommittee: Elk Hills (89 5428 02 271).

Labor, Health and Human Services, Education Subcommittee: Employment and Training Administration (16 0900 01 501); Education for the Disadvantaged (91 0900 01 501): School Improvement (91 1000 01 501): Children and Family Services [head start] (75 1536 01 506); Special Education (91 0300 01 501); Vocational and Adult Education (91 0400 01 501).

Transportation Subcommittee: Transportation (highways; transit; Farley Bldg.).

Sub-Treasury, General Government committee: Payment to Postal Service (18 1001 01 372).

Veterans, Housing and Urban Development Subcommittee: Section 8 Renewals (86 0319 01 604).

TRIBUTE TO GILDA K. "JILL" BEATTY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. Oberstar) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. OBERSTAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute and to express profound appreciation to Gilda K. Beatty, my office manager of more than 33 years who took her retirement at the end of De-

cember last year. Gilda, best known to everyone who met her as "Jill," began her service in my office when I was administrative assistant to my predecessor, John Blatnik, in December 1969, where she started as a classical secretary: gifted, talented, skilled, energetic, hard-working. But the day before she started her service in the office, our first daughter was born. From that day forward, until after I was elected to this House in 1974, and especially following the death of my wife, Jo, Jill has been a surrogate mother to our four children, a partner in all that I undertook as administrative assistant and as Member of Congress, counselor, advisor, keeper of my time, managing my schedule in Washington and with my district staff, my travels in the district and travels elsewhere throughout the country. Jill's good humor, good spirit, and her can-do attitude, made our office a joy to work in.

I have always said of Jill Beatty that she had that exceptional ability to say no to people who could then leave saying "thank you," a person of whom in another context it should be said she could sell ice boxes to Eskimos. She was able to bring people together in our office, visitors from our district to Washington, and though herself a Pennsylvanian, coming from the coal and steel country of Pennsylvania, she related to the iron ore mining area of the eighth district of Minnesota in a very special, unique way, so that folks always thought she was a Minnesotan. a northeastern Minnesotan, an iron ranger.

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She is, in spirit, certainly that. What was more important to me than the friendship, the professional association, the work, the undying work ethic that she portrayed throughout those 33 years, was her ability to grow in her work and to move from skill to skill; to understand the broader needs of our office, and of the relationship of this office to the committees on which I served, and now the committee, the single Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; and to relate our Washington responsibilities to the Eighth District of Minnesota responsibilities so as to balance the time, the interest, the need, and put them all in appropriate proportion. That is an extraordinary balancing act and a challenge at which few succeed, but Jill succeeded in a very special way.

Perhaps her ability to understand the complexities of running a congressional office in the computer age, in the era of instant communications, compared to the time when she began, when first we did not even have fax machines; but when the first one came in, there was that old onion skin fax, and no multiple letter production capability; to transition from that era to the present takes a very special person of adaptability, the willingness and ability to adapt to change, to changing circumstances.

To embrace change and to move ahead of change, that is Jill's greatest skill and ability, and it gave me the greatest pleasure to see her grow through the stages of evolution of technology that are so important for us in the Congress to maintain communication with the people in our districts who we represent here in this House.

Personally, it is her ever-ready good humor; her ability to laugh, to laugh at herself, to laugh with others, and to make people feel so welcome. Every person who walked in our office, who met with or worked with Jill on whatever purpose it was felt as though he or she were the only person in the world, the only person in Washington, at that particular moment.

That is a rare and special gift for which I will always be grateful, because she made our office in Washington the home in Washington for the people from the Eighth District of Minnesota who came here to visit.

We all miss her terribly. We miss her good humor, her creativity, her willingness to move to the next horizon. I particularly have appreciated her sort of gentle tap on the wrist saying, you are doing too much. It is time to back off. You need a little more time. You can't do all these things at the same time. I know you would like to do all that, but it is not possible, and I am not going to let you do it. She was sort of an auntie who takes care of those who need supervision.

Jill, we are grateful to you for all that you have contributed and done, and I particularly, and I know the entire staff joins in, wish you all the very best of good health, happiness, and long life after Congress.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 107

Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that my name be removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 107.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. THORNBERRY). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Rhode Island?

There was no objection.

PUBLICATION OF THE RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES, 108TH CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gen-

tleman from California (Mr. DREIER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. Speaker, in accordance with clause 2 of rule XI of the Rules of the House, I am submitting the rules of the Committee on Rules for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. On January 7, 2003, the Committee on Rules adopted by non-record vote, a quorum being present, the following committee rules.

RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
108TH CONGRESS

$(Adopted\ January\ 7,\ 2003)$

RULE 1—GENERAL PROVISIONS

- (a) The rules of the House are the rules of the Committee and its subcommittees so far as applicable, except that a motion to recess from day to day, and a motion to dispense with the first reading (in full) of a bill or resolution, if printed copies are available, are non-debatable privileged motions in the Committee. A proposed investigative or oversight report shall be considered as read if it has been available to the members of the Committee for at least 24 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays except when the House is in session on such day).
- (b) Each subcommittee is a part of the Committee, and is subject to the authority and direction of the Committee and to its rules so far as applicable.
- (c) The provisions of clause 2 of rule XI of the Rules of the House are incorporated by reference as the rules of the Committee to the extent applicable.
- (d) The Committee's rules shall be published in the Congressional Record not later than 30 days after the Committee is elected in each odd-numbered year.

RULE 2—REGULAR, ADDITIONAL, AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

REGULAR MEETINGS

- (a)(1) The Committee shall regularly meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday of each week when the House is in session.
- (2) A regular meeting of the Committee may be dispensed with if, in the judgment of the Chairman of the Committee (hereafter in these rules referred to as the "Chair"), there is no need for a meeting.
- (3) Additional regular meetings and hearings of the Committee may be called by the Chair.

NOTICE FOR REGULAR MEETINGS

- (b) The Chair shall notify each member of the Committee of the agenda of each regular meeting of the Committee at least 48 hours before the time of the meeting and shall provide to each member of the Committee, at least 24 hours before the time of each regular meeting.
- (1) for each bill or resolution scheduled on the agenda for consideration of a rule, a copy of
 - (A) the bill or resolution,
- (B) any committee reports thereon, and
- (C) any letter requesting a rule for the bill or resolution; and
- (2) For each other bill, resolution, report, or other matter on the agenda a copy of—
- (A) the bill, resolution, report, or materials relating to the other matter in question; and
- (B) any report on the bill, resolution, report, or any other matter made by any sub-committee on the Committee.

EMERGENCY MEETINGS

(c)(1) The Chair may call an emergency meeting of the Committee at any time on any measure of matter which the Chair determines to be of an emergency nature; provide, however, that the Chair has made an effort to consult the ranking minority mem-

- ber, or, in such member's absence, the next ranking minority party member of the Committee.
- (2) As soon as possible after calling an emergency meeting of the Committee, the Chair shall notify each member of the Committee of the time and location of the meeting.
- (3) To the extent feasible, the notice provided under paragraph (2) shall include the agenda for the emergency meeting and copies of available materiels which would otherwise have been provided under subsection (b) if the emergency meeting was a regular meeting.

SPECIAL MEETINGS

(d) Special meetings shall be called and convened as provided in clause 2(c)(2) of rule XI of the Rules of the House.

RULE 3—MEETING AND HEARING PROCEDURES

IN GENERAL

- (a)(1) Meetings and hearings of the Committee shall be called to order and presided over by the Chair, or, in the Chair's absence, by the member designated by the Chair as the Vice Chair of the Committee, or by the ranking majority member of the Committee present as Acting Chair of the Committee, or by the ranking majority member of the Committee present as Acting Chair.
- (2) Meetings and hearings of the committee shall be open to he public unless closed in accordance with clause 2(g) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives.
- (3) Any meeting or hearing of the Committee that is open to the public shall be open to coverage by television, radio, and still photography in accordance with the provisions of clause 4 of rule XI of the Rules of the House (which are incorporated by reference as part of these rules).
- (4) When a recommendation is made as to the kind of rule which should be granted by consideration of a bill or resolution a copy of the language recommended shall be furnished to each member of the Committee at the beginning of the Committee meeting at which the rules is to be considered or as soon thereafter as the proposed language becomes available.

QUORUM

- (b)(1) For the purpose of hearing testimony on requests for rules, five members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.
- (2) For the purpose of taking testimony and receiving evidence on measures or matters of original jurisdiction before the Committee, three members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.
- (3) A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for the purposes of reporting any measures of matter, of authorizing a subpoena of closing a meeting or hearing pursuant to clause 2(g) or rule XI of the Rules of the House (except as provided in clause 2(g)(2)(A) and (B)), or of taking any other action.

Voting

- (c)(1) No vote may be conducted on any measure or motion pending before the Committee unless a majority of the members of the Committee is actually present for such purpose.
- (2) A record vote of the Committee shall be provided on any question before the Committee upon the request of any member.
- (3) No vote by any member of the Committee on any measure or matter may be cast by proxy.
- (4) A record of the vote of each Member of the Committee on each record vote on any matter before the Committee all be available for public inspection at the offices of the Committee, and with respect to any record vote on any motion to amend or report, shall